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We delivered reftel points to Ambassador Kamen Velichkov, MFA's Head of UN and Global Issues Department, on September 13. Velichkov said the GOB fully supports the Community of Democracies and will make another nominal contribution to the UN Democracy Fund this year. He was very receptive to the idea of establishing a permanent Secretariat, but wondered how it would be financed, especially when the UN is under pressure to cut costs. He expressed hope the CD maintains it's dynamism and does not get bogged down with UN bureaucracy.  
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